

The Crisis of Reproducibility in Biology

July 8th 2018, 12:30-13:30

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Berlin CityCube

Room/Hall allocated: Hall A1

Programme

The crisis in reproducibility in biology, from which neuroscience is not immune, has many causes. This workshop will discuss the wide-ranging issues that contribute to irreproducibility. It will focus on the bias in dissemination of experimental data from the point of view of journals, funding agencies and the general media.

The structure of the workshop will bring together scientists, publishers and journalists, as well as representatives from funding agencies. We aim to draw up a list of obstacles that currently prevent us from responding optimally to this crisis as a basis for ongoing discussions within FENS.

This special interest event is jointly organised by the FENS Communication Committee and the FENS Committee of Higher Education and Training (CHET).

12:30 – 12:33	Welcome Address Menno Witter Chair, FENS Committee of Higher Education and Training Committee (CHET) NTNU, Norway	3'
12:33-12:42	A publisher's perspective Kevin Da Silva, Nature Neuroscience, USA	9'
12:42-12:51	The journalist's fear of non-reproducibility Joachim Müller-Jung, Frankfurter Allgemeine, Germany	9'
12:51-13:00	Funding Replication Studies Carlien Hillebrink, NWO-MaGW, the Netherlands	9'
13:00-13:22	Round table Moderator: Dervila Glynn, Incoming Chair, FENS Communication Committee Cambridge Neuroscience, UK	22'
13:22-13:40	Networking, informal lunch	